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Exam Study Guide

**Quiz Questions:**

1. Transitions fall under this trait.
   1. Organization
2. For this you should vary sentence lengths.
   1. Sentence Fluency
3. For this you must have correct MLA format.
   1. Presentation

Say if the sentence is passive or active.

1. The essay will be read aloud by me during block A.
   1. Passive
2. Is your topic sentence in your introduction, body, or conclusion sentence?
   1. Introduction

**Unit 1: Components of a 5 paragraph essay**

1. Introduction
   1. Attention
   2. 3-5 sentences (narrowing to focus)
   3. Thesis Statement
2. Body Paragraph 1
   1. 1 sentence (topic sentence<has to include point one in this sentence>)
   2. 3-5 sentence (supporting details)
   3. 1 sentence (transition sentence<need to mention point 1 and mention point 2>nee a transition word)
3. Body Paragraph 2
   1. 1 sentence (topic sentence <mention point 2)
   2. 3-5 sentence (supporting details)
   3. 1 sentence (transition sentence <from point 2 to point 3)
4. Body Paragraph 3
   1. 1 sentence (topic sentence<mention point 3)
   2. 3-5 sentence (supporting details)
   3. 1 sentence (concluding or clincher sentence)
5. Conclusion
   1. reword thesis
   2. 3-5 sentences (remind reader from each paragraph)
   3. 1 sentence (projecting sentence/Clincher)

**MLA Format**

Heading, Header, Title

Double Space, Times New Roman, 12 point font

**6+1 Traits**

* Ideas - The heart of the message; the content; the main idea with the details that enrich and develop the theme
* Organization - The internal structure of a piece of writing; the logical pattern of ideas; how you order (organize) your content
* Word Choice - The use of rich, colorful, precise language that moves and enlightens the reader; using the exact right word to say what you mean
* Sentence Fluency - The rhythm and flow of the language; the sound of word patterns; the way the writing plays to the ear (not just the eye); the auditory trait
* Voice - The heart and soul of the writing; the writer’s personality and writing style; using the right tone for your purpose
* Conventions - The mechanical correctness of a piece of writing; spelling, punctuation, capitalization, grammar, etc.
* Presentation - The form and layout of the text; how it looks; MLA format; also includes graphics

**Active and Passive**

* Active – when something or someone is doing something. (The cat plays.)🡨the cat is doing something it is playing.
* Passive – usually identified by linking verbs but you also have to check for is the verb is doing something or is it being something. Passive is when the verb is being. (The food is eaten)🡨the food is not eating it is BEING eaten.

**Linking Verbs**

1. Is
2. Am
3. Are
4. Was
5. Were
6. Be
7. Being
8. Been

**Know formal and informal writing traits.**